

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

OF CONSTRUCTION BIDS

BIDS TO BE RECEIVED Friday, August 10, 2018

Sealed bids will be received by the TOWN OF UNICOI at their offices in 3600 UNICOI DRIVE, UNICOI, TN 37692, until 2:00 PM EST, Friday, August 10, 2018 and opened publicly at 3600 UNICOI DRIVE, UNICOI, TN 37692 at that hour. The reading of the bids will begin at 2:00 PM EST.

TDOT PIN: 105525.33 Federal Project No.: STP-EN-IE-26(47) State Project No.: 86LPLM-F3-002

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This project involves completion of landscaping the four quadrants of Exit 32 on I-26. The work includes plantings, erosion control and traffic control. All work shall be completed in accordance with the most current version of the Tennessee Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction.

A <u>mandatory pre-bid conference</u> will be held at the **Unicoi Town Hall** on **Tuesday**, **July 31**, **2018 at 2:00 PM EST**.

PROPOSAL CONTRACTS WILL BE ISSUED UNTIL THE TIME SET FOR OPENING BIDS

A Prime Contractor must prequalify with the Department of Transportation in accordance with Section 54-5-117 of the "Tennessee Code Annotated" and Tennessee Department of Transportation Rule 1680-5-3 prequalification of contractors before biddable proposals will be furnished.

The TOWN OF UNICOI hereby notifies all bidders that a 0% Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal has been set for this project and must be met or exceeded.

The TOWN OF UNICOI hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation, and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of age, race, color, religion, national origin, sex or disability in consideration for an award. No Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal has been set on this contract. However, the use of DBE or minority/women owned firms are encouraged.

The TOWN OF UNICOI is an equal opportunity affirmative action employer, drug-free with policies of non-discrimination on the basis of race, sex, religion, color, national or ethnic origin, age, disability or military service. The TOWN OF UNICOI's telephone number is (423) 743-7162.

THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL BIDS IS RESERVED

Bidding documents and information, and plans, may be obtained at the office of TYSINGER, HAMPTON, AND PARTNERS, 3428 BRISTOL HIGHWAY, JOHNSON CITY, TN 37601; (423) 282-2687 after 8:00 AM EST on Tuesday, June 26, 2018 for a non-refundable fee of \$100.00.

<u>NOTE TO PUBLISHER:</u> The above notice is to be published no later than **Friday**, **July 20**, **2018**. It is permissible and desirable that ads be run as soon as possible after receipt.